


Government of the District of Columbia  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Kwame R. Brown  
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

**FROM:** Natwar M. Gandhi  
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**DATE:** November 2, 2011

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Impact Statement – “Historic District Property Improvement Notification Act of 2011”

**REFERENCE:** Bill Number 19-429 – As Introduced

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**Conclusion**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 through FY 2015 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

**Background**

The proposed legislation<sup>1</sup> requires the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR) to include in its annual tax bill mailing a notice of ‘Important Information About Property Improvements’ to all properties located in a historic district within the District of Columbia. This notice would provide information on the laws and regulations relating to all historic district property improvements, such as building permit regulations, Advisory Neighborhood Commission approval, and review by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts. Notifications would begin in the FY 2012 mailing.

**Financial Plan Impact**

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 through FY 2015 budget and financial plan to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation. The proposal can be implemented using existing resources at the Office of Planning, which will draft the notification and

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<sup>1</sup> The bill amends The Historic Landmark and Historic District Protection Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-144; D.C. Official Code § 6-1103(a)).

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provide the list of squares and lots to which the notification must be sent. OTR's contracted vendors can then, at no extra cost, print the notification on the appropriate tax mailings.